

By: Representative Mims

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 60

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND SUCCESS OF
2 CHARLES H. "CHARLIE" LEWIS, IV, PRESIDENT OF COMMUNITY BANK, UPON
3 HIS SELECTION TO THE MISSISSIPPI BUSINESS JOURNAL'S 2007 "TOP 40
4 UNDER 40."

5 WHEREAS, Charlie Lewis, 37, of McComb, Mississippi, and
6 President of Community Bank, a division of Trustmark National
7 Bank, was recently tapped by the *Mississippi Business Journal* as
8 one of the recipients of its "Top 40 Under 40" honors; and

9 WHEREAS, after contemplating his next move after graduating
10 from the University of Southern Mississippi in 1993 with a
11 business administration degree, and a potential career in
12 accounting, Mr. Lewis' fate changed with one phone call and some
13 motherly intervention, which ultimately led to his being hired by
14 Pike County National Bank; and

15 WHEREAS, a 1987 graduate of Pine Hills Academy in Gloster,
16 Mississippi, the son of "Buddy" and Dee Lewis, Charlie, who also
17 considered a career in real estate or forestry, began his service
18 with Pike County National Bank as comptroller, a position in which
19 he served for two years before joining Trustmark National Bank in
20 Liberty, Mississippi, as branch manager; and

21 WHEREAS, while climbing the corporate ladder, he completed
22 the Mississippi School of Banking at the University of Mississippi
23 in 1997 and the School of Banking of the South at Louisiana State
24 University in 2002 before becoming the youngest president in the
25 Trustmark system in 2003, when he was named head of the McComb
26 division; and

27 WHEREAS, as president, Charlie Lewis oversees four offices in
28 Pike and Amite Counties while maintaining active participation in

29 community affairs with leadership roles in such organizations as
30 the Pike County Chamber of Commerce, Southwest Mississippi United
31 Way, McComb Main Street Association, the Boy Scouts Review Board
32 and memberships in the McComb Rotary Club, McComb Exchange Club,
33 City of McComb Tourism Board, American Cancer Society, United
34 States Tennis Association, McComb Recreation Department and North
35 Pike Elementary Parents Association; and

36 WHEREAS, Lewis' commitment to his church, Centenary United
37 Methodist Church, is exemplified through his numerous committee
38 chairmanships and Sunday School teachings, as he was recently
39 elected church Lay Leader, the highest position a member of the
40 Methodist Church may hold; and

41 WHEREAS, with aspirations of retiring at the age of 55 in
42 order that he and his family can travel and do all of the things
43 that have been put off, Charlie has been described as having a
44 warm and humble spirit and makes a difference whether in his
45 profession, in the community, at church or in social gatherings;
46 and

47 WHEREAS, throughout his career endeavors and years of success
48 as a businessman, Mr. Lewis has been supported by a loving family:
49 wife, Laurie Wilkerson Lewis; and three children, Grace, Josie and
50 "Chip"; and

51 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to
52 recognize and commend excellence in such remarkable individuals as
53 Mr. Lewis, whose diligence and commitment to success is evidenced
54 by his many accomplishments:

55 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
56 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
57 commend and congratulate Charles H. "Charlie" Lewis, IV, upon
58 being named a recipient of the *Mississippi Business Journal's* 2007
59 "Top 40 Under 40" honor and extend warmest wishes for continued
60 success in all of his future endeavors.

61 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
62 furnished to Charles H. "Charlie" Lewis, IV, and to the members of
63 the Capitol Press Corps.